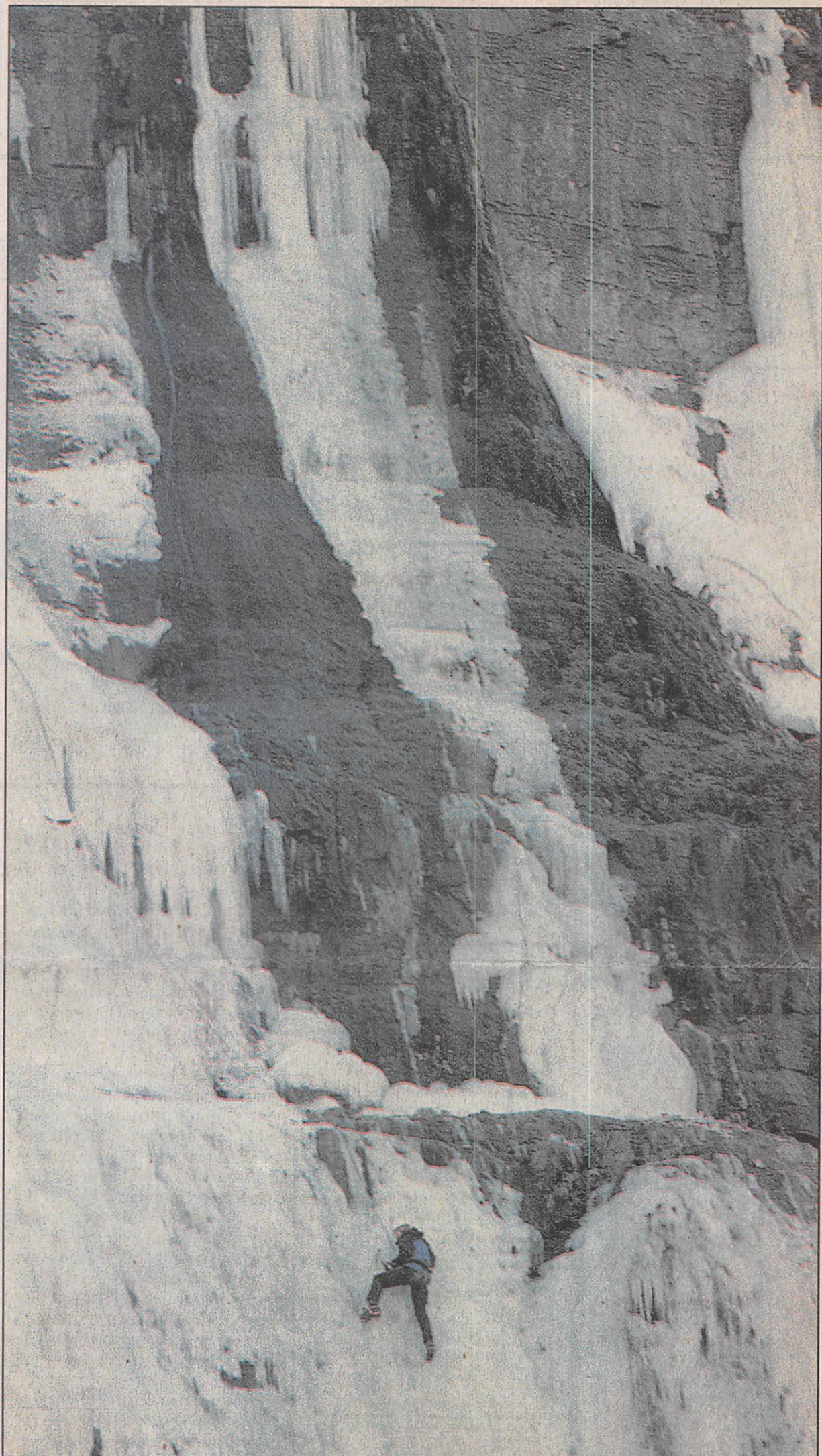


Cold climb



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An ice climber ascends "The Fang," a sheet of ice at Bridal Veil Falls in Provo Canyon on Thursday.

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assault head-on. I thought it couldn't get any louder, but the trucks were just idling. They gave it some gas and started moving around the arena, and I was seriously in pain. It never got to the point where I had to completely wuss out and stick my fingers in my ears, but it was close.

(By the way, I wore earplugs

trollably and pointed to the door, never taking his wide, astonished eyes off the rumbling trucks below.

THEN THE TRUCKS

raced. What was most amazing about these machines was how fast they were, given their size. I had no idea they could get off the ball so quickly. The

have to stand on the brakes and crank their four-wheel steering to the limit to avoid crashing into the stands (the last thing they check before each race is the remote kill switch — "with 6-foot tires and 2,000 horsepower, there ain't a wall in this place that could stop 'em if they get out of control.")

"If you look at the whole pattern of obstruction, it's overwhelming," Cannon said. "Everything comes together to show the clear intent of the president to deny Paula Jones the right to get the evidence to prove her case."

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A grand finale

Cannon wrapped up his speech by detailing how he believes Clinton obstructed justice and tampered with witnesses. He said Clinton allegedly:

- corruptly endeavored to persuade witnesses to lie;
- engaged in misleading conduct in order to influence the testimony of witnesses in judicial proceedings;
- acted with an improper purpose to persuade a person to withhold objects from a judicial proceeding in which that person was required to produce them;
- made misleading statements for the purpose of deterring a litigant from further discovery that would lead to facts which the judge ordered relevant in a federal civil rights case.

Cannon continued: "Whether attempting to per-

suaude a person to testify falsely, or to ignore court orders to produce objects; whether suggesting to an innocent person a false story in hopes that he or she will repeat it in a judicial proceeding; or testifying falsely in the hopes of blocking another party's pursuit of the truth ...

All these acts obstruct justice; all these acts are federal felony crimes; all these acts were committed by William Jefferson Clinton!"

The trial today

Today members of the Senate will continue their grueling discussions, beginning at 10 a.m. (EST) and ending about 3:30 p.m. The day is expected to begin with assessments of constitutional issues in the case against Clinton by three of the prosecution managers. Then there will be a summation of the legal and

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The first unscripted moment of the trial occurred near the end of the day when Democratic Sen. Tom Harkin of Iowa rose to object to the prosecutors' "continued use of the word 'jurors'" to describe senators. The Constitution scrupulously avoids using that word, he said, and senators are "tri-

ers" of impeachment.

Some senators, who had been sitting silently for hours, seemed startled by the objection, and a few reached for their legal pads to make notes. Rehnquist, called on to make his first ruling of the trial, decided instantly. "The objection is well taken. The Senate is not simply a jury but a court," he said.

For the second straight day, lines of spectators spilled out of the Capitol into the plaza outside as hundreds of citizens waited for their 15-minute turn in the spectator gallery that rings the chamber.

"No matter how you think about the issue, you are watching a piece of history," said Kurt Gahnberg of Seattle, who sat with his wife and 12-year-old twin girls. "It's easy, I think, to get overly callous on the whole deal ... if you just follow it at home."

Clinton is accused of perjury and obstruction of justice for attempting to conceal his sexual relationship with Lewinsky, a former White House intern. If convicted, he would be removed

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